

Fermilab Test Beam Facility (FTBF) Hazard Awareness Training Handout

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Overview

This document is intended to inform you of some of the more common hazards encountered at the Fermilab Test Beam Facility (FTBF). Please read the entire document and then complete the quiz at the end. Return the completed quiz and signature sheet as indicated. This training may also be taken online in the TRAIN system. This basic hazard awareness training is required for all personnel who intend to work at FTBF. It is valid for one year.

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1. Introduction

This training document outlines hazards specific to FTBF. "FTBF" consists of the Meson Detector Building (MDB) West, including MT6.1, ME6.2, and MC7 enclosures. The goal of this training is to advise you of potential hazards and the proper precautions to take to prevent unsafe situations. This training is mandatory for anyone who enters the FTBF area or works at FTBF routinely.

If you find a situation in which you need advice, training, review or a decision in regards to safety or safe operations, you should first go to your immediate supervisor. If you and your supervisor conclude that the matter goes beyond your own group, that you need assistance in resolving it, or that you need to arrange for safety training, you should contact the FTBF Coordinator. If you are unable to reach the FTBF Coordinator, you should reference the contact list posted on each of the doors in the facility. In the event of an emergency, you should call ext. 3131 from any Fermilab telephone.

Consult the FTBF Emergency Call List for the individuals listed above. This list is available at <http://www-ppd.fnal.gov/FTBF/contact.html>.

Environmental Safety, Health & Quality (ESH&Q) materials referenced in this document can be consulted for guidance on ESH&Q issues. These materials can be found on-line at this URL: <http://esh.fnal.gov/xms/>

1.1. Programs for Controlling Hazards

The programs for controlling the hazards that may be found within the facilities generally have three parts: (1) reviews to minimize hazards of new systems; (2) personnel training; and (3) documented operating and safety procedures or guidelines to follow. In addition, work activities performed by Fermilab employees shall be reviewed via a Hazard Analysis (HA) before work is started (see Fermilab Environmental, Safety and Health Manual (FESHM) 2060 Work Planning and Hazard Analysis). Reviews to minimize hazards in the design, construction, and operation of new systems are conducted by specific review committees or Environmental, Safety, and Health (ES&H) personnel. If you are involved in an operation that you feel should be reviewed, contact your supervisor or the facility coordinator/spokesperson. Training courses are conducted by supervisors, the Particle Physics Department (PPD) ES&H Group, or the Fermilab ESH&Q Section, depending on the specific need. Written procedures and job hazard analyses are usually developed by those doing the work and their supervisors, in consultation with ES&H personnel when necessary.

2. Hazardous Energy

Many components utilize potentially dangerous high voltages and/or currents. In addition, certain electrical devices/components may retain significant electric charge after their high-voltage sources are removed. These sources of energy can cause electric shock to personnel if work on these devices is carried out improperly. All personnel are required to have [Electrical Safety Orientation \[FN000387\] Training](#), which is a brief orientation to the Fermilab Lockout/Tagout (LOTO) program and NFPA-70E for unqualified workers. People performing service or maintenance work on or near equipment that could cause them injury if it were to become energized must lockout and tagout that equipment's energy source(s) and must have current [Fermilab LOTO Level 2 \[FN000212\] Training](#).

Only LOTO Level 2 trained personnel are authorized to work on equipment that could become hazardous to them if that equipment were unexpectedly energized. LOTO requires the use of a designated red lock and a DANGER tag to isolate the hazardous stored energy source (e.g., electricity,

gravity, springs). Additional information about LOTO can be found in FESHM 2100 Fermilab Energy Control Program (Lockout/Tagout).

NOTE: The term "configuration control" applies to the lockout and tagging of equipment that could not jeopardize worker safety. The application of "configuration control" locks does not require LOTO Level 2 Training or procedures and should be implemented with a (non-red) padlock and a CAUTION tag.

Specific Hazardous Energy at the FTBF:

Users at FTBF are not authorized to operate panel circuit breakers or electrical disconnects.

The FTBF area is very dynamic. As such, the electrical hazards change with each experimental set-up. Please check with the FTBF Coordinator for the hazards that are present.

3. Radiation Hazards

A facility may contain areas where radiation hazards can be found. Radiation fields can also be found near activated objects and radioactive sources. The ALARA (As Low As Reasonably Achievable) concept is used to keep doses to radiation workers at a minimum. Certain training and dosimetry requirements area also put in place to help keep doses ALARA. See below for specific requirements.

Specific Radiation Hazards at the FTBF:

This facility is posted as a Controlled Area and a Radioactive Material Area.

At a minimum, [General Employee Radiation Training \(GERT\) \[FN000241\]](#) is required to enter the facility. If work needs to be performed during a controlled access, [Radiological Worker – Classroom \[FN000470\]](#), [Radiological Worker – Practical Factors \[FN000471\]](#), and [Controlled Access \[FN000311\]](#) Training is required. If work needs to be performed with a radioactive source, [Radiological Worker – Classroom \[FN000470\]](#), [Radiological Worker – Practical Factors \[FN000471\]](#), and [Radioactive Source \[FN000048\]](#) Training is required.

Radiation dosimetry badges are not required in this facility. However, they are required when performing a controlled access, when working with a radioactive source, and/or when entering posted Radiation Areas. Temporary badges are available from the Communications Center (on the Ground Floor of Wilson Hall, ext. 4251). Permanently-assigned badges are located on badge racks in the facility. Quarterly radiation dose reports can be obtained through your local RSO. Dosimetry badges must remain on Fermilab site.

All items in the beamline that are being removed during a controlled access must be surveyed with the frisker. Only personnel with current [Radiological Worker – Classroom \[FN000470\]](#) and [Radiological Worker – Practical Factors \[FN000471\]](#) can conduct surveys. ([GERT \[FN000241\]](#) does NOT allow you to perform a survey.) When an experiment is complete, equipment should be gathered and a survey should be performed by an authorized surveyor from [PPD Radiation Safety](#) before leaving the site.

Only personnel who have current [Radiological Worker – Classroom \[FN000470\]](#), [Radiological Worker – Practical Factors \[FN000471\]](#), and [Radioactive Source Training \[FN000048\]](#) can sign out radioactive sources from the designated “source monitor”. The names of the source monitors for FTBF are posted on the radioactive source storage box.

4. Controlled Access Areas

Controlled Access is the normal mode of access during brief down-times of accelerator operation when it is expected that the beamline area interlocks will be maintained. Controlled Access is made by following the [Fermilab Controlled Access \[FN000311\] Training](#) and procedures.

Specific Controlled Access Areas at the FTBF:

Controlled access is made by following the Fermilab Controlled Access Training and procedures, along with the FTBF controlled-access procedure. The FTBF specific Controlled Access Training can be scheduled with the FTBF Coordinator.

There may be areas at FTBF posted as “NO ACCESS”. No entry to these areas should be attempted without explicit permission from the FTBF Coordinator.

5. Chemical Hazards

Small amounts of chemical materials, such as epoxies and solvents, are used or stored in certain areas. If handled incorrectly, some of these materials may become harmful. As a general practice, the use of combustibles should be limited. All hazardous (e.g., flammable, corrosive, reactive, or toxic) materials that are not in use must be stored in specially designated cabinets. Flammable liquids, such as ethanol, must be stored in a Flammable Liquids Cabinet. Figure 1 shows an example of a Flammable Cabinet. Rags or Kim Wipes used in the application or cleanup of such solvents must be collected disposed of in flammable rag containers and must be emptied every night. Contact the [PPD Environmental Officer or Waste Coordinator](#) for assistance. Safety Data Sheets (SDS's) containing information on all of these and other materials within the facility can be found online at http://www-esh.fnal.gov/pls/ip/msds_search.html. Additional information regarding chemical hazard communication is outlined in FESHM 4110 Hazard Communication.



Figure 1. Example of a Flammable Cabinet.

Specific Chemical Hazards at the FTBF:

As a general practice, the use of combustibles within FTBF should be limited. If there are questions regarding the combustibility of building materials (e.g., cables, foam board, plastics), please obtain a sample of the building material and contact the FTBF Coordinator. There is a system in place to test

these materials. All combustibles, such as cardboard or wood, should be removed from the beam enclosures.

6. Environmental Hazards

An accidental release of some materials (e.g., oil, gasoline, diesel fuel) from equipment could become harmful if it is not promptly contained. Such a release can be considered harmful if it can cause adverse effects to people or the environment. If you know or suspect that such a release has occurred or will occur, call ext. 3131 to report a spill emergency. Designated personnel are trained to execute procedures designed to minimize the spread of accidentally released materials. In addition, the following materials are prohibited from disposal in trash cans and dumpsters:

- all hazardous (e.g., flammable, corrosive, reactive, toxic) materials
- degreasing agents (e.g., Freon)
- uncured epoxy
- ethylene glycol (“anti-freeze”)
- fluorescent light bulbs
- oils
- paints
- pesticides
- radioactive material, radiation signs and labels
- scrap metal
- NiCad, lead/acid, and lithium batteries
- any free liquids (regardless of chemical nature)

Contact [PPD ES&H](#) personnel or the facility manager for information regarding the proper disposal of such items. Whenever possible, please recycle rather than throw away materials that are no longer of use.

7. Hazards Associated with Operating Machinery

7.1. Cranes and Forklifts

Improper use of certain equipment, such as cranes and forklifts, can endanger people working in the area as well as material being moved. People operating cranes and forklifts must complete operator training and renew this training every three years. Operators must clear personnel from the area of the lift and warn others of approaching loads. All personnel are prohibited from the area near or under any suspended load. Personnel conducting or in the vicinity of overhead lifts or lifts that have the potential to contact the head must wear hard hats and safety shoes. Procedures for crane use can be found in FESHM 10100 Overhead Cranes and Hoists and FESHM 10140 Mobile Cranes.

Specific Hazards Associated with Cranes and Forklifts at the FTBF:

Crane operators in the FTBF high bay warn others of approaching loads by using the bell.

7.2. Machine Shop Equipment and Power Tools

Machines in this area present hazards due to moving parts. Power tool operations present similar hazards. Training is required to work with tech shop equipment. Work with some machines requires the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Any loose clothing or jewelry that might become entangled must be removed prior to operating these machines. Hair that might become entangled should be covered or tied back. All hammering, drilling, cutting, grinding, and power tool operations require the

use of protective eyewear (e.g. safety glasses or goggles) with side shields that fit snugly to the face. In addition to glasses or goggles, grinding operations also require the use of a full-face shield. Some operations may require other forms of PPE (e.g., hearing protection, gloves). Manufacturer's recommended operating instructions are a good source of information on how to operate equipment safely.

Specific Hazards Associated with Machine Shop Equipment and Power Tools at the FTBF:

Prior to using tech. shop equipment, workers must be trained and authorized by the FTBF technical coordinator. This includes a review and signature of the appropriate HA and limits the use to those tools specific to FTBF.

7.3. Motion Tables

Motion tables are used to position experimental equipment into and out of the path of the particle beam. These tables generally move at a slow pace, but can pose potential pinch hazards. Only personnel familiar with the operation of motion tables should operate them.

Specific Hazards Associated with Motion Tables at the FTBF:

Three motion tables exist within the facility for use within the beamline. A separate article with instructions for their use can be found at the following URL: <http://www-ppd.fnal.gov/FTBF/Facility/Tables.html>. No user shall operate a motion table without reading the instructions first.

8. Hazards Associated with Working at Heights

There are unusual places throughout the facility from which people or things have the potential to fall. These include ladders, scaffolds, personnel (aerial and scissor) lifts, etc. The physical condition of ladders and scaffolds should always be inspected prior to their use and must be used in accordance with all posted instructions and/or safety precautions. Personnel lifts are available in some areas for workers trained in their use. Work from elevated platforms that have no railings requires [Fall Protection Orientation \[FN000304\] Training](#), the use of a body harness and lanyard, and a written rescue plan in the hazard analysis. Hard hats must be worn whenever someone is working above you or during overhead rigging activities.

It is common for work to be conducted at elevations above floor level. When working with ladders, a number of rules apply:

- Always use the appropriate ladder for the job. Avoid reaching or leaning from a ladder to complete a task.
- When ladders are not in use, they must be stored in a secure location that will not cause an obstruction to walkways or workspaces.
- The physical condition of ladders and scaffolds should always be inspected prior to use and must be used in accordance with any posted instructions and/or safety precautions.
- Ladders are required to access cable trays. Stay within the guardrails. Work outside the guardrails requires fall protection and a HA with rescue plan..

Specific Hazards Associated with Working at Heights at the FTBF:

All areas above the height of the shielding blocks are prohibited during beam-on operations.

9. Hazards Associated with Compressed Gas and Pressure Vessels

Many facilities contain systems and operations that utilize compressed gases and pressure vessels that may become hazardous if ruptured or handled improperly. All gas cylinders must be properly regulated while used and capped while stored. They also must remain protected from falling down at all times, for example by securing them to a storage rack or other solid object. Only trained personnel, with current [Fermilab Compressed Gas Training \[FN000213\]](#), should handle compressed gasses. Additional requirements and procedures regarding compressed gas systems and pressure vessels can be found in the FESHM 5000 series.

Specific Hazards Associated with Compressed Gas and Pressure Vessels at the FTBF:

Some FTBF detector systems and operations utilize compressed gases and pressure vessels that may become hazardous if ruptured or handled improperly. Please check the FTBF Coordinator for the hazards that are present.

FTBF utilizes flammable gas systems for use in experiments. The systems are properly identified. Open flame or spark is prohibited within 10 meters of the gas systems.

10. Emergencies

Call ext. 3131 in the event of an emergency situation, such as personnel requiring medical treatment for any reason. Stay on the phone until the emergency operator indicates that s/he has all of the necessary information, including your name, location and nature of the emergency. Do not attempt to bandage another person or clean any bodily fluids from another person's injury.

When evacuating any area, proceed directly to the designated assembly point/shelter and wait there until the 'all clear' signal is given. If you must leave and can't wait for the 'all clear', tell your supervisor or an Emergency Warden. Rescue attempts will be made by the Fire Department if someone is unaccounted-for and believed to be in an unsafe area (e.g., burning structure, oxygen deficient area). If you notice that a fellow worker is missing during an emergency, immediately report this to an Emergency Warden, the Incident Commander (Fire Dept.) or the Fire Chief.

10.1. Fire Alarm

The fire alarm is a steady alarm that may be accompanied by a flashing strobe light. It means that smoke or fire has been detected in the area.

Specific Procedures for a Fire Alarm at the FTBF:

Leave the area via the nearest exit and go to the designated assembly point, which is across the street from the west side of the building.

10.2. Sitewide Emergency Warning System (SEWS)

This is a verbal communication system broadcast throughout all areas of the laboratory. It is used to notify personnel when hazardous conditions exist and what protective actions to take. It is very important that you respond to its warning tones and messages and that you follow the transmitted instructions. If the nature of the message indicates severe weather, promptly go to the designated shelter for your area.

Specific Procedures for a SEWS Message at the FTBF:

Follow the transmitted instructions. The designated shelter areas for FTBF are the bathrooms on the west side of the building.

11. Cryogenic Hazards

There may be areas within the facility where cryogenics such as liquid nitrogen or argon may be routinely present. A leak of these materials can cause local zones of oxygen deficiency. In addition, there may be areas where acute physical hazards associated with handling cryogenic materials, such as burns to the eyes and skin, are present. When cryogenic materials are handled, appropriate PPE, such as gloves and protective eyewear with side shields, must be worn. Additional information regarding the controls and procedures required of cryogenic and ODH areas are contained in FESHM 5032 Cryogenic System Review and FESHM 4240 Oxygen Deficiency Hazards (ODH) (Work Smart Standard).

Specific Cryogenic Hazards at the FTBF:

Some FTBF detector systems and operations utilize cryogenics that may become hazardous if handled improperly. Please check with the FTBF Coordinator for the hazards that are present.

12. Miscellaneous

The following describes some additional general hazards and work rules which exist within the facilities:

- Smoking at facilities is permitted only outdoors and at least 15 ft. from the nearest entrance.
- All new visitors working at Fermilab must register with the Users' Office (Wilson Hall Mezzanine, ext. 3111) upon their arrival.
- It is always preferred that people not work alone. When this is impractical, workers should at least insure that another person, such as their supervisor, is aware of when and where they are working, and they should make arrangements to periodically check-in with that person. This is especially important for work during off-hours. Also note that for some types of jobs, explicit "two-man rule" requirements may exist.
- **Nothing** must be attached to or suspended from overhead sprinkler pipes.
- Since janitorial personnel do not service some areas within the facilities, you must clean up after yourself.
- Appropriate PPE must be worn to protect against hazards.
 - Closed-toe shoes must be worn at all times within the FTBF.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited within FTBF.
- No food or beverages are allowed in the MT6.1, MC6.2 or MC7 areas.

13. Hazard Awareness Quiz

- 1) What should you do if you find an unsafe situation?
 - a) Ignore it
 - b) Immediately inform the Fire Department
 - c) Stop work and immediately inform your Supervisor or ES&H personnel
 - d) Call the Main Control Room
 - e) None of the above
- 2) What should you do in the event any person at the FTBF requires medical treatment?
 - a) Call ext. 3131
 - b) Use a first-aid kit
 - c) Call the FTBF Coordinator
 - d) Call the Main Control Room
 - e) Panic
- 3) Which PPE article is required at all times within the FTBF?
 - a) Hard hat
 - b) Close-toed shoes
 - c) Radiation dosimeter
 - d) Gloves
 - e) Tyvek suit
- 4) Which of the following rules applies to working with ladders?
 - a) Always use the appropriate ladder for the job
 - b) Ladders must be stored in a secure, non-obstructive location when not in use
 - c) The physical condition of ladders and scaffolds should always be inspected prior to use and must be used in accordance with any posted instructions and/or safety precautions
 - d) Ladders are required to access cable trays; climbing atop concrete shielding blocks to access cable trays is prohibited
 - e) All of the above
- 5) Which of the following actions requires specific training prior to being performed?
 - a) Work from elevated platforms (Fall Protection Orientation)
 - b) Work with tech. shop equipment (Tech. Shop Safety)
 - c) Operation of cranes, forklifts or manlifts (Operator Training)
 - d) Handling of compressed gasses (Compressed Gas Cylinder Safety)
 - e) Work on equipment that could become hazardous if equipment were unexpectedly energized (LOTO 2)
 - f) All of the above
- 6) What are users required to complete prior to operating a motion table?
 - a) Controlled access training
 - b) Crane/forklift/manlift operator training
 - c) Reading motion table instructions provided on the FTBF website
 - d) A written request to the FTBF coordinator
 - e) All of the above

- 7) At FTBF, what should you do if you hear the Sitewide Emergency Warning System?
- a) Continue working
 - b) Go home
 - c) Promptly exit to the assembly area outside
 - d) Promptly go to the designated shelter areas, which are the FTBF bathrooms
 - e) Promptly go to the MTest control room
- 8) Where can you store a FLAMMABLE liquid (e.g., ethanol, acetone) overnight?
- a) In a special cabinet designated for flammable liquid storage
 - b) In a toolbox
 - c) It's ok to leave in your work area
 - d) Anywhere, as long as it's labeled
 - e) B & C
- 9) Which of the following statements is FALSE?
- a) Accidental release of some materials (e.g., oil, gasoline, diesel fuel) could become harmful if it is not promptly contained
 - b) The FTBF Building Manager or PPD ES&H personnel should be contacted for disposal of potentially hazardous or unknown chemicals
 - c) One should call ext. 3131 if it is known or suspected that hazardous materials have been spilled or released
 - d) Hazardous, potentially hazardous or unknown materials, such as batteries or Kimwipes used with a solvent, may be disposed of through trash cans and dumpsters
- 10) Radiation dosimetry badges are required to be worn when
- a) Making a controlled access
 - b) Working with radioactive sources
 - c) In any posted Radiation Area
 - d) All of the above

14. Signature Page and Training Record

This training is not valid unless the following information is completed:

"I have read the document "FTBF Hazard Awareness Training Handout" and understand the hazards present at FTBF facilities. Also, I agree to follow all of the listed work rules and emergency procedures."

Print your name: _____ Fermilab ID #: _____

Division/Section/Affiliation: _____ Department/Group: _____
(Home institution if a User)

Fermilab Phone #: _____ Mail Station: _____

E-mail address: _____

Your Signature: _____

Today's Date: _____ (This training will expire two years from this date)

If you did not complete this training online, please complete the quiz and this form and return both to:

FTBF Hazard Awareness, MS 355

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TRAIN group assignment: _____

Authorization: _____

(Must be signed by PPD ES&H personnel)